

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DIVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES

700 GOVERNORS DRIVE

PIERRE, SD 57501-2291

PHONE: 605-773-3495

FAX: 605-773-5246

WEB: [dss.sd.gov](http://dss.sd.gov)



August 11, 2020

**ATTENTION: Provider and Billing Professionals**

**FROM: South Dakota Medicaid**

**RE: HHS Medicaid Provider Relief Fund – How to Guide**

South Dakota Medicaid is encouraging all Medicaid/CHIP providers to submit an application for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Provider Relief Fund. HHS intends to distribute \$15 billion to eligible providers that participate in state Medicaid and CHIP programs and have not received a payment from the Provider Relief Fund General Allocation. The deadline to apply for Provider Relief Funds is August 28, 2020.

In order to assist Medicaid and CHIP providers to complete the application for Provider Relief Funds the National Council for Behavioral Health has released the attached [how to guide](#).

Provider Relief Funds will flow directly from the federal government to providers; neither South Dakota Medicaid nor the State of South Dakota are involved in the calculation or the distribution of the payments. South Dakota Medicaid encourages providers who have not received payments from previous relief distributions or who have questions about the Provider Relief Funds to review the [HHS website](#) for information on provider actions needed to receive a payment.

The Department of Social Services does not exclude, deny benefits to, or otherwise discriminate against any person on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, gender identity, sexual orientation or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its programs, activities, or services. For more information about this policy or to file a Discrimination Complaint you may contact: Discrimination Coordinator, Director of DSS Division of Legal Services, 700 Governor's Drive, Pierre SD 57501, 605-773-3305.

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-800-305-9673 (TTY: 711).

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 1-800-305-9673 (TTY: 711).